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A second try for justice

Mattapan massacre defendant's new trial begins ◗ Jury will come from Worcester County in 'uncommon' move, expert says ◗ Lawyer says jurors may have already seen coverage anyway

The retrial of a man accused of gunning down four people including a 2-year-old boy and his mother is set to begin under what legal experts said is an "uncommon" and "innovative" circumstance.

Jury selection is scheduled to start today for the second trial of Dwayne Moore, the man accused of being the gunman in the Mattapan massacre that left five people shot and four dead in 2010.

But instead of coming from Suffolk County, the jurors will be coming from Worcester County after a judge ruled on a defense attorney's request to change the venue of the trial because of the significant media coverage. Instead of relocating the trial, the judge ruled that jurors would be bussed in daily from Worcester County.

It's not an unheard of move, legal experts said, but one that is not common.

Bob Bloom, a Boston College Law School professor, called the busing ruling "innovative" and said the judge is trying to balance the need of a fair trial and the concerns of witnesses and victims' family members.

However, the hours of commuting could cause a problem with the jury.

"One of the things I would have a worry about is that the individual jurors are spending more time together, so there's down time and possibility to talk about the case," Bloom said.

Boston criminal defense attorney William D. Kickham said that while the judge is using the "uncommon" method to try and ensure a fair trial, the Worcester County jury pool is still exposed to Boston media coverage.

"Especially in the age of the Internet, it could be argued that jurors in Worcester County are just as exposed to the media attention as jurors in Suffolk County," he said.

Both Bloom and Kickham agreed that they don't see the busing of jurors being as a future issue at appeal if there is a guilty verdict.

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▶ Police stand at the scene of the crime in Mattapan in 2010. A jury could not reach a verdict on the charges against Dwayne Moore, the accused gunman, during his trial earlier this year.

The victims

Five people were shot and four were killed in one of the most shocking murders in recent Boston history.

- Amanihotep Smith, 2
- Eyanna Flonory, 21
- Simba Martin, 21
- Levaughn Washum-Garrison, 22

"We have great confidence in the ability of the citizens of Suffolk County to fairly decide this case and we made this clear to the court in our opposition."

SUFFOLK DA DANIEL CONLEY, ON HIS OPPOSITION TO THE CHANGE OF VENUE MOTION

Judge gives green light to testimony

One of the most controversial aspects of the new trial is the memory of a key witness.

Marcus Hurd was one of the five people shot during the home invasion and was the only one to survive. Hurd was shot in the head and is now a paraplegic, but he testified during the first trial and at a recent pretrial hearing.

Hurd originally testified he said he couldn't identify the men who set upon him. He only gave vague descriptions.

However, Hurd has since told police detectives and a victim-witness advocate that he recognized suspect Dwayne Moore's "bone structure" and skin color while he testified during the first trial.

A judge ruled yesterday that Hurd's testimony will be allowed in the new trial, the Globe reported.

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Another alleged T masturbator is caught

BOSTON. A 23-year-old Boston man was arrested Sunday, eight days after he allegedly chased a woman while masturbating at the Tufts Medical Center station.

The incident happened around 7 p.m. Oct. 6, when the victim was waiting to board an Orange Line train.

That's when Juan Pena allegedly approached the victim with his pants unzipped and was masturbating.

"The female victim screamed and attempted to walk away from the male, however he followed close behind her the entire time masturbating," Transit Police said.

▶ Pena

The victim reported it to police that night, but nothing came of it — until around 8:20 p.m. Sunday, when she saw Pena again at the station. METRO

Teen pleads not guilty

BOSTON. A teenager pleaded not guilty yesterday to fatally stabbing a 39-year-old man near an MBTA station earlier this month.

Ernest Watkins IV, 14, of Dorchester, is accused of stabbing Cherby LaJoie dozens of times in the head and chest Oct. 6. Watkins was identified because under state law juveniles charged with murder can be tried as adults. METRO

State imposing hiring cap, tightens spending

MASSACHUSETTS. In the face of economic risks and uncertainty three months into the fiscal year, the Patrick administration is capping full-time equivalent employees at current levels and taking other immediate steps to control spending.

The hiring cap, which may be waived by the state Administration and Finance office, is intended to help state government prepare for a potential shortfall in tax revenues, a possible income tax reduction in January and the possibility of a recession that could be triggered by federal spending cuts and tax hikes in the 2013. METRO/SHNS

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Tax receipts over the first quarter of the fiscal year are flat compared to the same period in fiscal 2012 and running about $100 million below budget benchmarks. Gonzalez identified tax collections as representing potential risk.

In the news

100K

About 100,000 students signed up for Harvard University's first free online courses that began Monday, according to the Globe. The courses in computer science, epidemiology and biostatics are part of the new online program between Harvard and MIT called edX. METRO

Today's local tweet

"just made an mbta bus driver laugh by frustratedly trying to insert bills and not noticing the machine said 'no cash.' #goal accomplished"

@SHEASPILLANE, WHO WAS ABLE TO BRING A LITTLE JOY TO A T DRIVER'S DAY

News in brief

Group saves woman from T

CAMBRIDGE. A group of bystanders rescued a woman after she fell onto the train tracks at Kendall Square station on Sunday night, according to Transit Police.

Around 6:52 p.m., Tamara Woodard, 54, of Minnesota, was walking backward on the inbound platform talking with her husband and a few friends when she fell into the pit.

Her husband then jumped in the pit to get her out as other passengers also helped lift her up to the platform.

Woodard was taken to a hospital for an evaluation. METRO

Harvard Law to use video in admissions

CAMBRIDGE. Videoconferencing will now be part of the admissions process for those seeking to attend Harvard Law School.

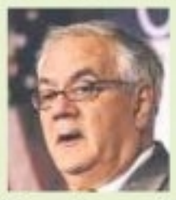
The school announced the move last week as an additional opportunity for applicants to present themselves.

For the past six years, the process has included telephone interviews.

The school also said it will offer interview opportunities to more applicants than in the past. METRO

Frank speaks out on ballot question

MASSACHUSETTS. Outgoing Rep. Barney Frank is trying to influence one more public policy decision before he leaves public office. Frank yesterday endorsed Question 2, which would make doctor-prescribed life-ending medication available to terminally ill patients. "This is the most personal of decisions, and it should not be denied to a terminally ill patient," Frank said in a statement. SHNS



State hopes to see green in upcoming online auction

Antiques hunters trickled into the State House yesterday to peer at some of the items up for grab at Saturday's unclaimed property auction on eBay.

While most of the items are a little drab — pocket watches, coins and gold bracelets — some of them do offer charm.

Metro's pick for the hottest item up for sale — a silver brandy warmer that dates back to 1707.

Other items were typical of what can be found in a safe deposit box: rings, necklaces, gold and silver bracelets, pearls and old bills.

"We have everything from diamond engagement rings that are $17,500 all the way down to wheat pennies that are going to be listed for 2 cents," said Mark Bracken, assistant treasurer for the Unclaimed Properties Division. "Most of it will go to collectors, and a lot of it will go to the everyday person that is looking for that unique piece of jewelry."

Patrick Benzie said he stumbled on the display by accident and didn't plan on bidding.

But an item that did catch Benzie's eye was a gold necklace that said "Credit Suisse One Ounce Gold."

"It's very opulent. It doesn't really fit my wardrobe, but if I was a little flashier maybe I'd consider it," he said.

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▶ Unclaimed property put up for auction on eBay.com by the Treasurer's Office was on display at the State House yesterday.

By the numbers

Last year's eBay auction raised more than $434,000 for the state's general fund through the sale of about 1,000 separate bid items.

- On Oct. 20, 100 items will be posted on eBay for bid.
- After that, about 1,900 items will be released during the next two months.
- The treasury returned $93 million in unclaimed property last fiscal year, a 42 percent increase from just two years prior.
- The treasury also has a list of about $2 billion in unclaimed monetary property, such as stock, insurance payments and bank accounts.

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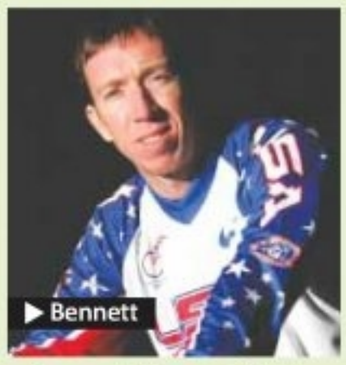

▶ Bennett

Three-Time BMX cycling world champ dies at 33

NEW YORK. Kyle Bennett, a member of the 2008 U.S. Olympic BMX team and a three-time world champion, died in a single-vehicle auto accident. He was 33.

Bennett died early Sunday near his home town of Conroe, Texas, USA Cycling said on its website. He wasn't wearing a seat belt and was traveling at high speed in a 2006 Toyota Tundra pickup truck when it left the road and struck a culvert pipe before hitting a wrought-iron gate and trees, eventually stopping upside down, the Montgomery County Police Reporter said on its website. **BLOOMBERG**

Americans win economic sciences Nobel Prize for matching theory

STOCKHOLM. Alvin E. Roth and Lloyd S. Shapley shared the 2012 Nobel Prize in Economic Sciences for their work on matching supply and demand for everything from single men and women to organ donors and their recipients.

"The combination of Shapley's basic theory and Roth's empirical investigations, experiments and practical design has generated a flourishing field of research and improved the performance of many markets," **BLOOMBERG**

Behind the scenes: Jumping from highest point ever

REDBULL POOL PHOTO

▶ Felix Baumgartner of Austria jumps out of the capsule during the final manned flight for Red Bull Stratos.

For millions watching at home, Felix Baumgartner's 884 mile per hour free fall was terrifying — but for the team that spent seven years working on the historic jump, it was agony. From the launch site in Roswell, N.M., Red Bull Stratos director Art Thompson spoke to us about life and death.

What were your emotions during the mission?

Tough. You spend the entire buildup running through process and you have to stay focused and energized, but there is a lot of anxiety watching the balloon because you know it going to go through bad conditions and tough moments.

What were the most difficult moments?

As Felix passed through the jet stream, we had 120 mile per hour winds and I thought the balloon could get sheared. Then he didn't know if his visor was heating — at that point I cut the live feed and we talked it through with Felix, making sure he felt comfortable and confident. We had to come up with a new plan with the science team; we isolated him from the capsule so we could test the faceplate heating and from the chest pack — he was confident it would work.

You had to accept some risks?

Exactly. We refer to protocol to deal with "acceptable risk." Felix went along with it; he knew he would be in dangerous positions but we wanted him to know his options. Like when he went into the tumble, he could have used the drogue (automatic stabilizer) and maybe not reached Mach speed — but he continued with the test, thinking "I'm going to survive."

Quoted

"Felix went along with it — he knew he would be in dangerous positions but we wanted him to know his options."
ART THOMPSON

The mission broke records for highest and fastest jump. What are you most proud of?

The data we collected is very significant for aerospace medicine and commercial space programs. We gathered a lot of information that will teach us, and we achieved a number of records, but the proudest moment was seeing my friend return to Earth alive.

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Shot Pakistani girl can recover, UK doctors say

A Pakistani schoolgirl shot in the head by the Taliban has every chance of making a "good recovery," British doctors said yesterday as 14-year-old Malala Yousufzai arrived at a hospital in central England for treatment of her severe wounds.

Yousufzai, who was shot for advocating education for girls, was flown from Pakistan to receive specialist treatment at Birmingham's Queen Elizabeth Hospital at a unit expert in dealing with complex trauma cases that has treated hundreds of soldiers wounded in Afghanistan.

"Doctors ... believe she has a chance of making a good recovery on every level," said Dr. Dave Rosser, the hospital's medical director, adding that her treatment and rehabilitation could take months.

He told reporters Yousufzai, whose shooting has drawn widespread condemnation, had not yet been assessed by British medics but said she would not have been brought to Britain at all if her prognosis was not good.

TV footage showed a patient, believed to be the schoolgirl, being rushed from an ambulance into the hospital surrounded by a large team of medical staff. **REUTERS**

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Built at a cost of $877 million, the hospital has the world's largest single-floor critical care unit for patients with gunshot wounds, burns, spinal damage and major head injuries.

What's next?

- She will now undergo scans to reveal the extent of her injuries, but Rosser said they could not provide any further details without her agreement.
- Pakistani surgeons removed a bullet from near her spinal cord during a three-hour operation the day after the attack last week, but she now needs intensive specialist follow-up care.
- The unit at the Queen Elizabeth Hospital, a large blue and white glass-plated complex in the south of England's second city, has treated every British battle casualty for the last decade, Rossner said.

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▶ The Pakistani schoolgirl

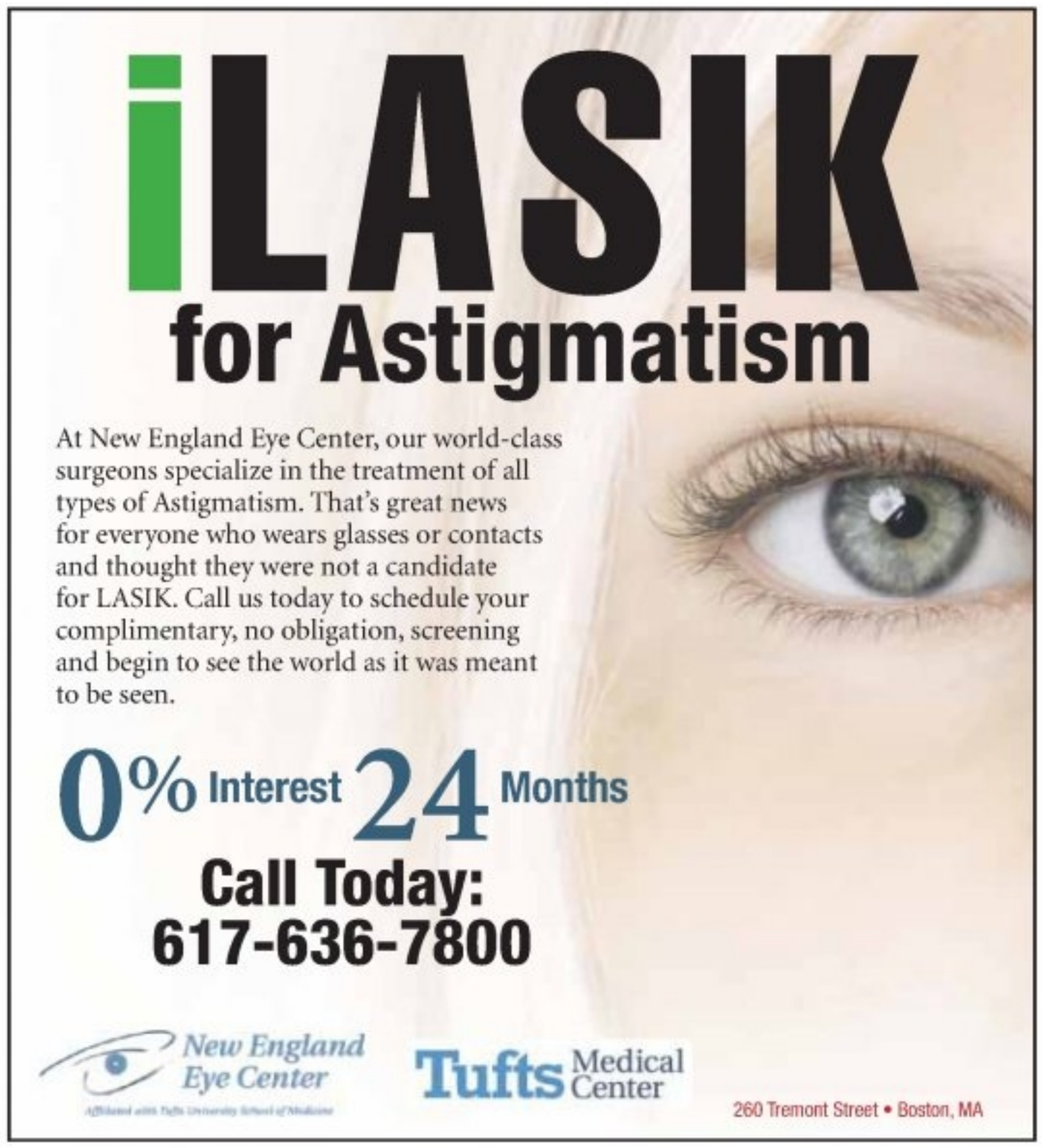
In the news

Softbank buys 70 percent of Sprint

Japanese mobile operator Softbank Corp. will buy about 70 percent of Sprint Nextel Corp. for $20.1 billion, giving Softbank the American toehold it long desired and Sprint the capital to expand.

The deal for the third-largest U.S. wireless carrier represents the most a Japanese firm has spent on an overseas acquisition

The transaction gives Softbank entry into a U.S. market that is still growing. **REUTERS**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Your move, Mr. President: Obama's biggest night yet

Sixty-seven million people.

That's how many people tuned in to watch the first debate between Barack Obama and Mitt Romney — or what the Obama campaign might as well call the "Debacle in Denver."

The president went into that debate Oct. 5 with the chance to put Romney in his rearview window for good, holding commanding leads in most national and swing-state polls, taking in a record amount of donations in September and watching Romney on the verge of campaign self-destruction.

All the pressure was on Romney. And he came through, or more like it, Obama bombed.

Whatever the reason for the horrible debate performance, the pressure has swung completely in the other direction — and onto the sitting president's shoulders. Can he deliver in the clutch?

Does he even want another four years?

These questions may be answered tonight at New York's Hofstra University.

Here's Metro's look ahead at the second of three presidential debates, with special emphasis on what us 70 million viewers can expect from Obama.

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▶ Prep time for both candidates before the second debate winds down to zero at 9 tonight.

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Getting back into the ring

Romney took first round, pressure's on Obama tonight

The onus to perform in this debate shifts to Obama after his poor showing against Republican challenger Mitt Romney in the first debate. Here's some factors likely to affect his performance tonight:

- Political experts said Obama needs to be more aggressive and definitive in expressing his message.
- "I think the number one thing he has to do is he has to define the difference between his administration and the type of administration the Romney team is talking about," said Philadelphia political consultant Maurice Floyd, who worked on campaigns for former mayors John Street and Ed Rendell. He added that there's a fine line for the president between being aggressive and seeming agitated.
- "As an African-American ... you're always faced with the 'angry black man' syndrome," he said.
- Experts agree that the town-hall format should favor Obama, allowing him to show off his people skills, while Romney could be forced to reveal more about his specific plans for addressing the economy than he has given to date.
- "This really is Obama's strong suit, so the format should tend to favor him slightly," said Temple University political science professor Robin Kolodny. "This is going to be a little bit different for [Romney], because what he got away with in the first debate was to be effective stylistically, but on substance not answer questions in detail, and usually the town hall format doesn't let you get away with that."
- While some experts say the debates have little effect on voters, Floyd and Kolodny said Obama needs to reassure his base with a solid performance.
- "Obama could use a better performance out of here to make his base more enthusiastic," Kolodny said.

▶ Hello? Yes, yes, I'd like my mojo back.

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SOLOMON D. LEACH

Candy Crowley won't be so sweet

For the first time in 20 years, a woman will moderate a presidential debate, as CNN's Candy Crowley will moderate the "town hall" format.

And she's making a mark on the debate even before it starts — which is in stark contrast to PBS newsman Jim Lehrer, who took some hits for his out-of-the-way moderating in the first debate earlier this month. Crowley has reportedly indicated that she will use citizens' questions as a way to dig into certain topics with Obama and Romney, instead of simply allowing the candidates to answer the questions directly.

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▶ Crowley

On Oct. 5, she told CNN viewers that "once the table is kind of set by the town hall questioner, there is then time for me to say, 'Hey, wait a second, what about X, Y and Z?'" according to the Washington Post.

Both campaigns are reportedly in crisis mode over her promised approach, but no one publicly talked to reporters yesterday. **METRO/BXM**

Metro wants to know

- Public transit costs in many major cities are on the rise and some cities are experiencing cuts in service. What will you do as president to help improve public transit while keeping it affordable? Also, can you tell voters how much it costs, in your case Gov. Romney, for a subway ride on the MBTA, or in your case President Obama, for an "L" ride in Chicago or a ride on the Metro in D.C.?
- Has the transition in Iraq been successful following the exodus of American troops last year and how does it affect the proposed 2014 withdrawal of troops from Afghanistan? **METRO**

Metro readers want to know

"Why did [Romney] pivot so hard?

How did you make that transition from super right to super moderate so fast?"

VICTORIA MORENO, 21

"Will I have health insurance when I get older? My grandparents are having some issues with [Lou Gehrig's disease], and it's become an upfront concern for me. It's rough. ... It's hard to watch and I imagine it is hard to endure. They've been having a hard time finding financial help from the government. Now I'm worried what's going to happen to my mom when she gets older, then eventually me."

NATALIE OLBRYCH, 23

"What do you, [Romney], think about all your supporters that say, 'Bring the white back into the White House?'"

MEGAN LOVALLO, 22

"What's your action plan?

You talk a lot, but I don't know what you are actually going to do. It's just all this hope and promises, and a lot of taking shots at each other. I want to know how you are going to go about enacting these promises you've made."

BRENDAN CHECK, 23

All-important Ohio

Crucial state still swinging

Mitt Romney is recovering ground in the critical swing state of Ohio as he rises in the polls and crowd numbers swell after his strong debate performance last week.

Despite pundits and pollsters dismissing Romney's chances in the state in late September, the Republican is now either tied or just barely trailing Obama in Ohio ahead of tonight's debate.

At an event with thousands of Ohioans on Friday night, Romney boasted of "a growing crescendo of enthusiasm." No Republican has ever won the presidency without winning Ohio.

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THE WORD

Metro's **Dorothy Robinson** shares her take on the world of gossip @dorothyatmetro dorothy.robinson@metro.us

The Stones celebrate their 50th in Newark?

Yesterday, the Rolling Stones announced four live dates to celebrate their 50th anniversary. "Everybody loves a celebration, and London and New York are two good places to do it in!" said **Mick Jagger** in a statement.

Accordingly, they booked shows on Nov. 25 and 29 in London at the O2 Arena and on Dec. 13 and 15 in ... Newark, N.J.?

Wait, didn't Mick say that the show was in New York? And weren't there plans to do the shows at the brand new Barclays Center in Brooklyn? And haven't the Stones had some legendary shows at Madison Square Garden? After all, that's where they recorded their famous live album, "Get Yer Ya-Ya's Out" in 1969.

Well, New York, guess you can't always get what you want. But if you try sometimes, you just might find that Newark is actually pretty close — it will just cost you a few points of pride to go over to Jersey for the night. Oh, and it will also cost a lot of dollars. Tickets go on sale Oct. 26 and will range from $95 to $750.

▶ The Stones might need a geography lesson.

$95 Tickets for the show start at $95 and go upward of $750.

Hot. Shot

▶ "How dare you ask me a question, woman?"

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Dinner date drama for West

Despite what this may look like, no punches were thrown on Sunday when Kanye West tried to make physical contact with a female paparazzo. West and his girlfriend, Kim Kardashian, were heading out of a Miami restaurant when the photographer asked if they knew Kardashian's ex, Reggie Bush, was inside the same spot with his pregnant girlfriend. Annoyed at the questioning, West reached over and put his hand up to block her camera. METRO

The feed ...

▶ Checking in with some of Hollywood's biggest names to see what they've been up to — in their own words, in 140 characters or fewer.

Today, Chris Colfer probably was hacked, Juliette Lewis is going to enjoy being on location and Ricky Gervais is experiencing technical difficulties.

@chriscolfer
Guess I can't send 300 friends links to weight loss pills without it looking suspicious anymore. Maybe I wasn't hacked, maybe I just care.

@JulietteLewis
Do u realize Jack White, Neil Young, Bob Dylan are all playin Tulsa while Im there next 2 months working on a movie?? #TheUniverse-Provides

@rickygervais
The autocarrot on my nubile prone is defamatory flocked.

Ricky Gervais

Talking points

Crowe and wife split

Russell Crowe and his wife of nine years, **Danielle Spencer**, have separated, according to the Sydney Morning Herald. The split is reportedly amicable, and Spencer plans to stay in Sydney with the couple's two sons while Crowe focuses on his film work. They met 22 years ago on the set of "The Crossing" but did not wed until 2003. Crowe is currently in New York filming "Noah," in which he plays the biblical ark-builder.

Kristen Stewart fears her fame

Becoming famous has made **Kristen Stewart** fear for her life, she admits in a new e-book called "Robert Pattinson, Kristen Stewart, Taylor Lautner — In Their Own Words," compiled by Talia Soghomonian. "Nowadays it's harder because everyone is on Facebook and everyone knows where you are all the time, and everyone's Twittering," Stewart says. "Like, I'm going to die because somebody is going to say where I am and somebody is going to kill me. Someone's going to Twitter my location and then it's going to be like, boom."

▶ Sarandon

The tale of Susan Sarandon and the casting couch

Susan Sarandon says that early in her career she was exploited in a "casting couch" experience. "It was not successful — for either of us. I just went into a room, and a guy practically threw me on the desk," Sarandon tells Elle. "It was my early days, and it was really disgusting. It wasn't like I gave it a second thought, it was so badly done."

Who's the blonde with Scott Disick?

Non-news alert: **Scott Disick** is a terrible person, according to a new story by The Daily's Flash. The site reports that during a boys' night out at the Vista Lounge in the Mohegan Sun Casino, **Kourtney Kardashian**'s baby daddy was spotted canoodling with a "hot blonde" and acted "incredibly mean" to his waitress.

"His arm slung cozily around a hot blonde with her hair in a topknot, Disick seemed to be loving the bachelor lifestyle," Flash reported about his questionable actions. "Scott was so incredibly mean," his bottle waitress was overheard saying. "He literally ripped the bottle out of my hands when I came to the table — and later, he and his friends were just dumping drinks on me. I'm glad to be done with their table for sure."

Another eyewitness told the site, "It seemed so obvious his relationship with Kourtney is for show."

If I were Disick, I'd watch out. If he blows the carefully crafted illusion that he and Kardashian are still a couple by getting caught by snoops at a casino, I'm pretty sure he'll one day soon wake up next to a horse head, courtesy of **Kris Jenner**.

Disick

These ladies take the plunge

1 Elizabeth Hurley met fans in a hot-pink number in support of Estee Lauder's breast cancer awareness campaign on Thursday in England.

2 Keyshia Cole attended BET's Black Girls Rock 2012 on Saturday in New York City.

3 Kate Hudson wowed in a red gown with a plunging neckline designed by **Prabal Gurung** at amfAR's Inspiration Gala on Thursday in Hollywood.

4 Katy Perry donned a sheer floral dress for Comedy Central's fourth biennial "Night of Too Many Stars: America Comes Together for Autism Programs" on Saturday in New York.

5 Blake Lively attended the celebration of Chanel Fine Jewelry's 80th anniversary last week in New York City.

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Justin Cronin takes on vampires, with best-selling results The author speaks on 'The Twelve,' book two of his sweeping, postapocalyptic trilogy

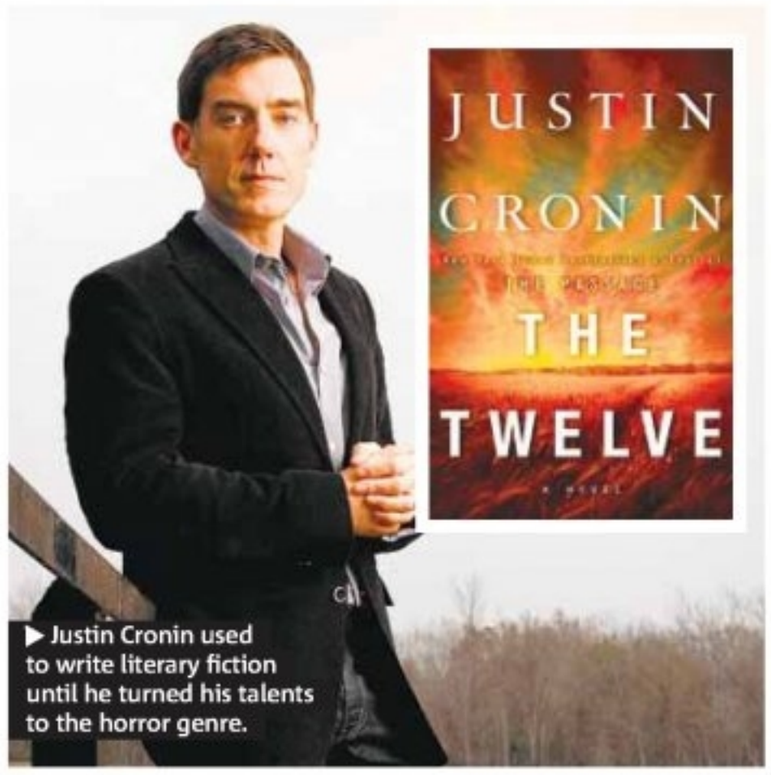
The way author Justin Cronin sees it, we have four main types of boogeymen.

"They come down to werewolves, monsters, zombies and vampires. They are the big four," says the engaging author from his home in Texas, where he is a distinguished faculty fellow at Rice University. "Of the four of them, the vampire story is the one with the best stuff."

So much "stuff" that Cronin was able to develop a highly regarded — not to mention highly profitable — trilogy based on the mythological beings. The series began in 2010 with "The Passage," a 784-page best-seller, and continues on this month with the publication of his massive follow-up, "The Twelve."

In Cronin's futuristic dystopia, his vampires are known as virals; vicious, almost unstoppable monsters created by a government experiment gone horribly wrong who almost end all of humanity. In "The Passage" and now "The Twelve," Cronin delves into two worlds: The time when the vampire plague was unleashed upon society and a hundred years into the future. His cast of characters numbers into the hundreds; locations not only span coasts but decades and lifetimes; his word count is epic. How does he keep it all straight?

"That was something I had to learn how to do," he says. "When I was writing the first book, I discovered my brain can naturally hold up to 800 pages of manuscript; at page 801, the top of my head flies off and I can't remember how to use the coffeemaker. I had to grow a couple hat sizes to be able to do this."



▶ Justin Cronin used to write literary fiction until he turned his talents to the horror genre.

JULIE SOEFER

"There's always been a little vampire trend going on. Fifteen years ago, we'd be talking about 'Buffy the Vampire Slayer.'"
JUSTIN CRONIN, ON HOW VAMPIRES KEEP ON TICKING

Virals: The real meat of the story

The addition of the virals make the series into a horror thriller, but for Cronin the beasts are a way to get to the real meat of his tale: How does the human race survive when civilization ends? "I use the vampire story as a way to get to a postapocalyptic story," he says, simply. Cronin was a child of the Cold War, a time that informs his writing. "I really believed as a kid we'd all get incinerated; at that time it really looked like things would end," he says. "That's probably the deepest fear in me."

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Treats for your kid's teeth

Halloween: It's the spookiest time of the year. But what's really scary is the damage that those mini candy bars can do to your little monster's teeth. Dr. Jennifer Jablow, dubbed "The Smilemaker" by Men's Health magazine, tells Metro that Halloween is a time for parents to be on high alert, both managing kids' candy intake and making sure that they brush regularly. Large amounts of sugar, she says, "can be detrimental to any oral health, especially for children who are still at that developmental stage when their teeth are more vulnerable." Below are her tips for handling the Halloween haul.

How should parents manage the Halloween candy that their children bring home?

The best approach is really for kids to understand that moderation is the key. Parents can separate the candy into little bags, put it away and rotate it. The best thing is to alternate it with natural sweets, such as apples, which have a natural scrubbing action to the teeth. Apples have what's called malic acid, which has actually been shown to dissolve buildup on the teeth.

And what about older kids and teens, whose candy consumption we can't really control?

As much as you can, keep on top of them about brushing and rinsing. I would recommend that parents get them a sonic toothbrush, because that absolutely, hands down, removes plaque and tartar so much better than a manual brush does.

How can poor oral health affect children's daily lives?

Kids' teeth are still developing, and early-onset cavities really can set them up for a lifetime of dental problems. Improper hygiene, such as not brushing the teeth, can lead to not only cavities, but also to gum tissue problems: bleeding gums, plaque buildup, bacteria, discomfort, even bad breath — we might not think about that as a problem, but children are social animals and no one wants to be around someone who's smelly — especially in the age of bullying.

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▶ Dr. Jablow

Oral Health 101

Do you have a weakness for any particular Halloween candy?

I eat a little bit of dark chocolate every day, so no. Even caramel apples give me the willies — just the thought of breaking into the caramel and it sticking to your teeth — I guess as a dentist you think about that stuff. [Laughs]

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Smirkin' Joe better laugh while he can

I had watched the vice presidential debates between Vice President Joe Biden and Congressman Paul Ryan. I found Joe Biden's comments in the debate and his facial expressions and laughter at Ryan's comments to be disrespectful and appalling. This is in regard to the many importants issues facing our nation like unemployment, health care the war and unrest in the Middle East — not to mention terrorism and Iran's quest for a nuclear weapon. Well Joe Biden is laughing but shouldn't be. Remember this, "Whoever laughs last, laughs best." And that will be on Election Day when the people vote for the party that better speaks the truth. **FREDERICK R. BEDELL JR., VIA E-MAIL**

Feeling a little worn out? Maybe it's time to prioritize

Obama promises to be more aggressive during the next debates? How about being more aggressive with trying to lower gas prices? **TONY MARKIE, VIA E-MAIL**

One man's success is another's failure

Romney supporters should take a cold, objective look at their hero. Romney's "success" in his business dealings were by taking over profitable companies, bankrupting them, laying off workers and selling the remains for profit. His "success" in organized the 2002 Winter Olympics was mainly by turning it into a corporate boondoggle and vanity exercise.

And his "successful" tenure as Massachusetts governor is marked by leaving his state with lower job creation and weaker schools than when he started. If that's the kind of "success" Romney supporters wish for the country, I'll take the "failed" incumbent instead, thanks very much! **JOSEPH CONNELL, VIA E-MAIL**

Fewer promises, more explanations

I read this newspaper every day on my way to work. And more I read the letters to the editor, the more I understand why our country is in such a bad shape. The biggest problem is economic problems, our national debt and unemployment. Those affect everybody.

But nobody noticed that the unemployment rate equals number of jobs sent overseas.

That's exactly what "George W. Bush and Co." did in time of his presidency. We all know that the announced unemployment rate is a fake — it's much higher. We all know, that Romney's "12 million jobs" is a fake, having just one purpose: to get into Oval Office.

We all know that tax cuts for corporations proved to be useless to push the economy — but it still a Republican's agenda.

We all know that the signs of "slow recovery of the economy" is a fake, made by hired "economists."

But still almost 50 percent favor Obama, 50 percent Romney. I'd vote for the candidate who not only says, "I will ... ," but also explains HOW! But in this race it's not the case. Unbelievable! **MATTHEW KRIS, VIA E-MAIL**

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Horoscope

♎ Libra **Sept. 23-Oct. 23.** Instead of assessing things from a realistic, practical perspective, you'll be inclined to see things as you would like them to be. That spells trouble.

♏ Scorpio **Oct. 24-Nov. 22.** For some strange reason, you could feel obligated toward someone to whom you owe nothing. Although this will be readily apparent to onlookers, you'll be hard to convince.

♐ Sagittarius **Nov. 23-Dec. 21.** The results aren't likely to be any good if you join forces with someone who treats lightly an issue that you take seriously. Be more selective of your allies.

♑ Capricorn **Dec. 22-Jan. 19.** It's not that you'll be plagued with a lack of imagination — it's more likely that your schemes will count for little because you might be too lazy to translate your ideas into action.

♒ Aquarius **Jan. 20-Feb. 19.** You might be tempted to get involved with someone whom your better judgment tells you to avoid. If you ignore that wise voice within you, you'll regret it later.

♓ Pisces **Feb. 20-March 20.** The only way you can be successful is to personally manage all your endeavors to their conclusions. The things you don't supervise could run amok.

♈ Aries **March 21-April 19.** This might not be the best day to start a program that requires tremendous self-discipline, such as a diet or an exercise regimen. It isn't likely you'll have the necessary staying power.

♉ Taurus **April 20-May 20.** If you need to purchase something expensive, it would be a good idea to bring along an adviser who is truly value-conscious. Chances are, you won't recognize a bum deal.

♊ Gemini **May 21-June 20.** The best way to be truly effective is to understate things. Being ostentatious or displaying a gaudy taste could severely and permanently damage your image.

♋ Cancer **June 21-July 22.** Instead of striving to be realistic as per usual, you could feel that the world owes you a living. Because life disagrees with you, unfortunately, disappointment is likely.

♌ Leo **July 23-Aug. 22.** It's OK to get involved in a pleasurable pursuit, just be sure you can afford it. Plus make sure your cohorts are willing to pay their fair share.

♍ Virgo **Aug. 23-Sept. 22.** It's never a good time to take important things for granted, especially where your work or career is concerned. If you get too complacent, it could quickly lead to your downfall. **BERNICE BEDE OSOL**

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10 Bldg. units
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24 Actress — Hartman
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44 Wapiti
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46 Far from posh
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53 Groaner, maybe
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25 Banned spray
26 Fleshy mushrooms
27 Stan's partner
28 Cosmetic buy
29 Afr. neighbor
31 CAT scan relative
32 Up — — (stumped)
33 Gather wool
34 Throngs
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40 William Jennings —
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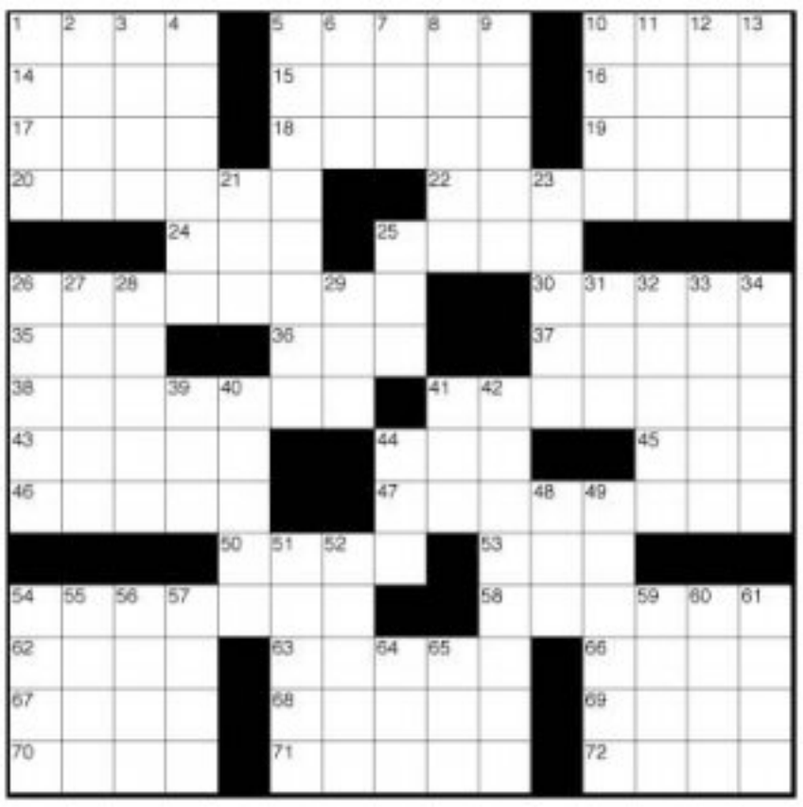

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SUDOKU **LEVEL: HARD**

Solution to yesterday's crossword

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4 Best program perks for frequent travelers

Here are our favorite reasons to spend a bit more when planning your travels They are particularly worthwhile if you're on the road — or in the air — a lot

Counterintuitively, sometimes the best value involves spending more upfront. Investing in a frequency program with great perks or a credit card with benefits that essentially pay for themselves can actually save you money in the long run, and definitely improve a trip. Here are our favorites:

▶ US Airways sells miles to upgrade to silver, gold or platinum status in its mileage program, which also helps earn bonus miles when purchasing tickets.

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Room upgrades: Leading Hotels of the World — which, as the name suggests, includes many of the most luxurious properties around the globe — offers a membership program for guests, the Leaders Club. There's a $150 annual fee to join, but you get a hotel room upgrade, free breakfast, free Internet and early check-in (a fabulous perk if you're flying to Europe or the East Coast on a red eye). If you really travel a lot, it's worth investing in a higher-tier Leaders Club Unlimited Membership: It's a whopping $1,200 a year but includes free airport transfers (in a chauffeured car — a super expensive journey in many cities) and, at golf-focused properties, free club rental and driving-range usage.

Lounge access: If you have a long layover between flights — or, as happens so often, your flight's delayed — having access to an airport lounge definitely takes some of the sting out of the experience. American Express' Platinum card is pricey at $450 a year, but it comes with a Priority Pass that grants access to more than 600 airport lounges worldwide. Other perks include Global Entry (to speed through passport control coming home from trips abroad) and a $200 credit toward flight-related fees like baggage and flight change fees.

Priority boarding: We all know that getting through the airport can be a hassle, particularly with long lines at security and check-in. Having preferred-tier status on an airline can speed you through ... but earning it requires lots of travel. US Airways sells miles to upgrade to silver, gold or platinum status in its mileage program, which also helps earn bonus miles when purchasing tickets.

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Several hotel chains, like the InterContinental and Ritz-Carlton, offer club floors. Rooms on these floors typically cost more but include access to a private lounge that serves food and drinks throughout the day, with wine at night. Particularly in cities where eating out is pricey, these rooms can make a lot of sense.

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The CSCA is currently accepting applications for all January 2013 certificate and professional programs, with classes starting on January 8, 2013.

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**The ARC-PA has granted Accreditation–Provisional to the Tufts University School of Medicine Physician Assistant Program.*

JOIN us for an upcoming public health programs information session on November 16th or a fall online chat for the Master of Public Health, MS-Health Communication, and MS-Pain Research, Education, and Policy programs.

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Tufts' New Physician Assistant Program Helps Fill Important Gap in Healthcare

If you've ever tried to find a primary care physician or had to visit the emergency room, you've probably sensed that there are simply not enough quality healthcare professionals to go around. In fact, with healthcare mandates and cost control measures on the rise, legislators and medical facilities alike are looking for innovative ways to help ease the burden on the medical system.

Physician Assistants (PAs) are an important part of the answer. Supervised by physicians, PAs perform primary and urgent care exams, diagnose disease, prescribe medication, and manage long-term care. Trained in less time, and at lower cost than doctors, they specialize in health maintenance and prevention—addressing a critical and rising need in the health professions.

CNN and *U.S. News and World Report* recently identified the PA as one of the best jobs in the country—for growth potential, entry-level salaries, and professional responsibility. According to Richard Murphy, PA-C, MBA, Program Director of the new Physician Assistant Program at the Tufts University School of Medicine, the field is exploding; he predicts an increase in 40,000 PA jobs in the next 5-10 years.

That's why the Tufts University School of Medicine recently opened its 25-month master's degree PA Program. The only medical-school based program in Massachusetts, this provisionally accredited program offers students the chance to study at the renowned medical school, which offers a student-centered approach and proven track record of training physicians and other healthcare professionals. Students benefit from Tufts' superb facilities and collaborative environment and also from living and learning in the healthcare mecca of the world.

"You can't throw a coin in Boston without hitting a hospital or medical school," Murphy says. "If you are interested in a career in medicine, but feel overwhelmed by the time commitment and cost of medical school, a PA degree from Tufts might be right for you."

The PA Program will begin accepting applications for Spring, 2014, in April, 2013. For more information, visit http://publichealth.tufts.edu/Academics/Physician-Assistant-Program

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"I am a more "balanced" practitioner now that I have the theory (Attachment and Neurobiology, and Social Work Practice were my favorite classes) and clinical skills behind my natural desire for service. Simmons took my experience to another level," said Victor Ortiz, a 2010 Simmons' graduate who works as an Intervention and Treatment Support Director Mass Council on Compulsive Gambling. "Simmons was able to meet me where I was at and really engage me. I graduated a better professional and a better individual," he said.

Small classes led by faculty who are distinguished clinicians, consultants, educators, researchers, and community leaders make the Simmons experience rigorous, personal, and practical. Teaching at Simmons are Fulbright and Hartford scholars, two past presidents of the Massachusetts chapter of the National Association of Social Workers, and one past national NASW president. Faculty research and scholarly interests span a broad array of issues: domestic violence, health care disparities, trauma, HIV/AIDS, child welfare, social work leadership, gerontology, evidence-based practice, ethics, genetics and immigration.

The M.S.W. degree prepares students for professional work in a range of settings, including health care, schools, community agencies, as well as private practice. "I had an incredible experience at Simmons…the education and mentoring I received helped me to develop my social work identity." said Cecily Donegan a 2009 Simmons' graduate and a clinical social worker at Boston's Children's Hospital emergency department.

Simmons is highly regarded for its approach to fieldwork, which allows in-depth work with clients and agencies. In the classroom, as well as through field placements, Simmons emphasizes advanced clinical practice skills as well as client advocacy and social justice.

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"Our goal is to provide students with not only the education and clinical training they need to be good social workers, but also with the practical understanding of organizations and the cultural realities of their clients," said Professor Michael Melendez, Director of the M.S.W. program.

Simmons is committed to honoring an "educational contract" that places students' needs first by helping you build a successful career, lead a meaningful life, realize a powerful return on your educational investment—and make a difference in the world. It's what makes Simmons so different and, we hope, so attractive to you.

Founded more than 100 years ago with a social justice mission at its core, Simmons was the first college in the U.S. to offer training for social workers and the School of Social Work helped to pioneer education for clinical social workers and managed care practice.

To attend our next information sessions on October 3rd, 13th and 27th, please RSVP at www.simmons.edu/ssw

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Industry Links to the College

NECB has a legacy of partnership with and service to the banking and financial industry.

Founded by the New England banking community in 1909 (as the American Banking Institute), the school's sole purpose was to equip banking employees with the specialized skills, insight and knowledge required to remain competitive and increase profitability. For generations, the school partnered with the region's top financial institutions. Then, in 1985, it received full college accreditation from the New England Association of Schools and Colleges, the only bank-sponsored educational institution in America to become accredited as a degree-granting college.

Two years after the launch of its degree programs online, the school's finance curriculum was adapted by the University of California in Berkley for its post-graduates in banking and investment management sectors.

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NECB Has a Variety of Degree Programs

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Connection to Industry Experts

One of NECB's greatest assets is its faculty. Instructors at NECB come from a blend of seasoned business practitioners and academic researchers. The faculty ensures that NECB students receive instruction in both theoretical and practical approaches to the knowledge they will need to succeed in the workplace.

In addition to focused coursework, NECB offers its students opportunities for networking and professional development through public programs such as the Business of Tomorrow lecture series. A recent panel discussion featured compliance officers from Elizabeth Arden (NASDAQ: RDEN) and Massachusetts Credit Union League.

Helping to steer the academic and administrative facets of the College are the Board of Trustees and the MBA Advisory Board. These important groups are made up of successful businesspeople, public sector leaders and academics including a former U.S. Secretary of Education, a Harvard University dean, a former Massachusetts Attorney General, bank presidents and other financial executives.

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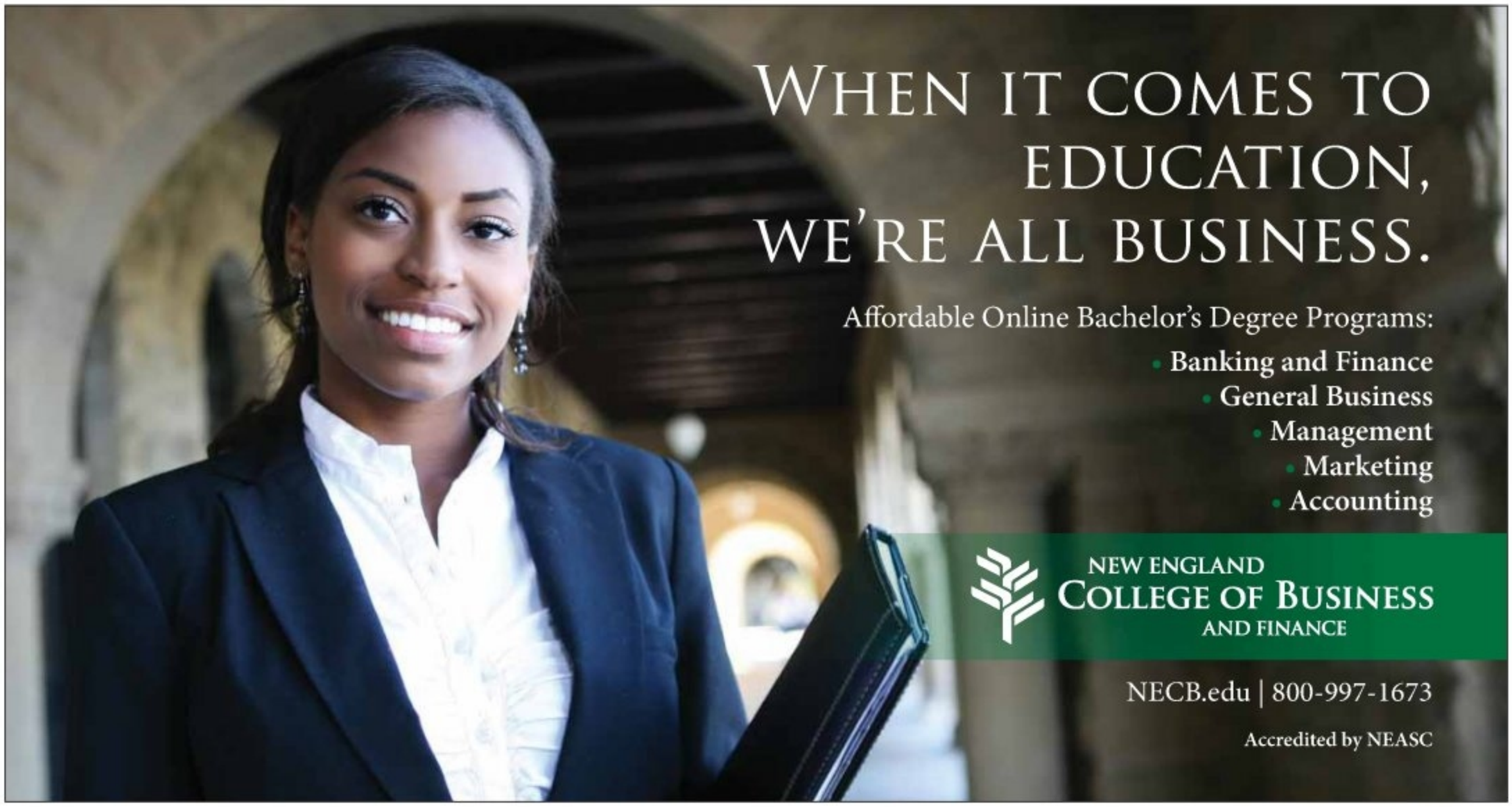

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The mission of the MMA MS programs is to give graduate students the knowledge and skills necessary to become creative problem solvers and in doing so provide current and prospective facility managers and emergency responders with the personal, interpersonal, and group skills necessary to craft and implement creative ideas and thus reduce the gap between good ideas and accepted practices.

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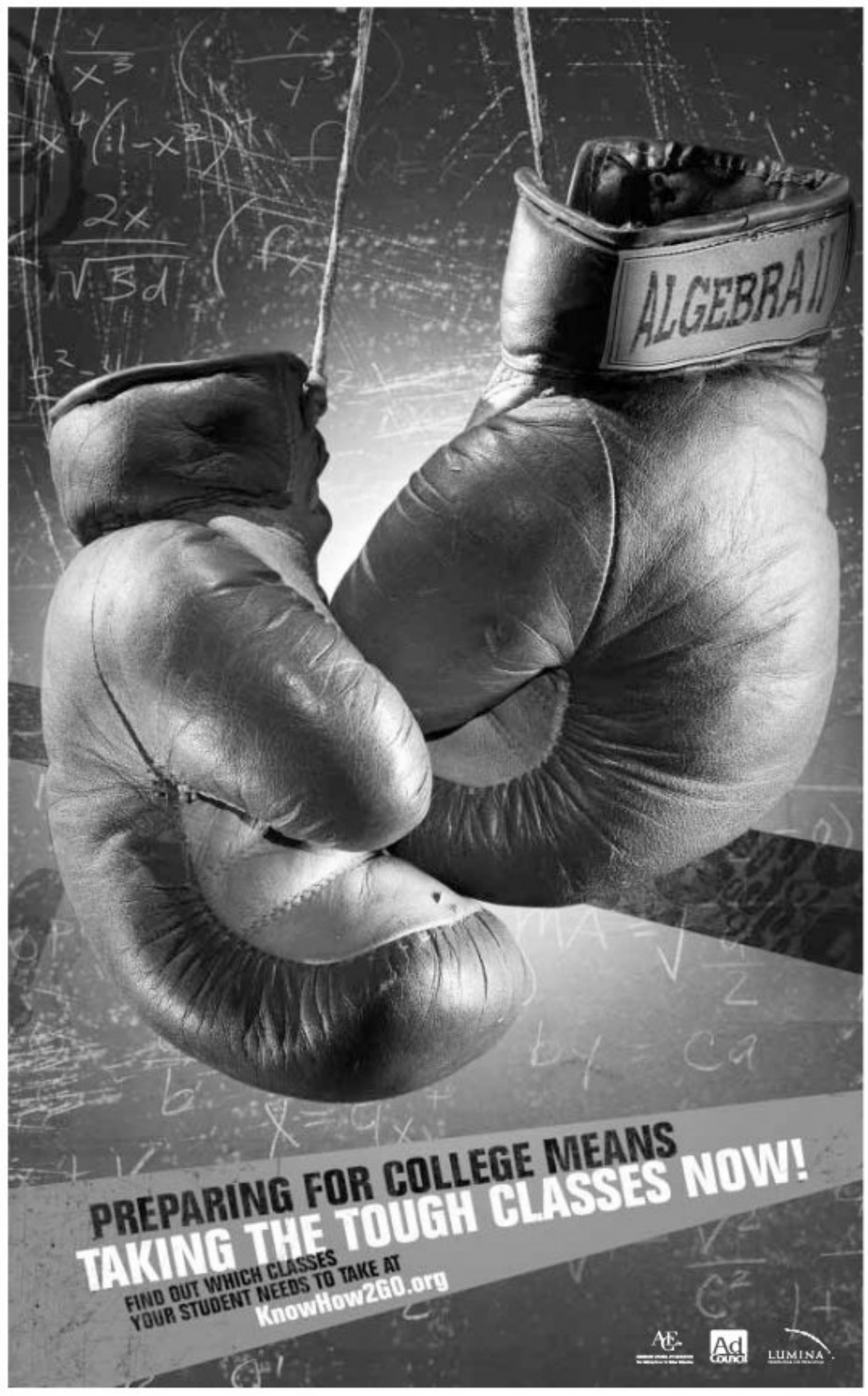

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THE Steppingstone FOUNDATION

Source for city data: *Getting to the Finish Line*, Northeastern University, Center for Labor Market Studies, 2008

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The Steppingstone Academy Prepares Boston Students for College Success

It's October, and students applying to Boston public exam schools or local independent schools for next year are busy studying for the Independent School Entrance Exam (ISEE), researching schools, and completing applications. For families who may need extra support in applying to college prep schools, The Steppingstone Academy can help.

The Steppingstone Academy prepares motivated students, who would not otherwise have the opportunity, to learn about, prepare for, and succeed at Boston's public exam schools and top independent schools. Steppingstone supports students and their families every step of the way, to ensure that Steppingstone Scholars ultimately graduate from high school, enroll in a four-year college, and become college graduates. Each year, Steppingstone selects hardworking fourth- and fifth-grade students to enter its free 14-month academic program. Through two summers, Wednesday after-school and Saturday classes, Steppingstone Scholars advance their math, writing, and reading skills.

Trent Jones, a Mattapan resident and senior at Belmont Hill School, began the program the summer before fifth grade and entered Belmont Hill in seventh grade. "Once you complete Steppingstone's academic portion, you are a step ahead," he said. In high school, Trent has participated in many of Steppingstone's support services offerings, including college workshops, college tours, and Saturday Mentoring and Study Hall (SMASH) during the academic school year. This past summer, Trent served as a Teaching Assistant (TA) at The Steppingstone Academy, where he taught and mentored young Scholars. He is an active member of his school community, where he coordinates the annual Cookies for Breast Cancer Awareness event and is s member of the track team and student group Students Actively Fostering Equality (SAFE).

Steppingstone accepts applications from motivated Boston students in grades four and five. The application deadline is January 2, 2013. For more information, families may call 617-423-6300 or visit www.tsf.org.

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Northeastern Law Launches Innovative LLM Program

Northeastern University School of Law has always offered what no other law school could: Northeastern's signature co-op program, which guarantees that all students graduate with real-world experience to complement first-rate classroom learning. As for academic degrees, Northeastern has always offered what all US law schools do: the JD, with the option of pursuing a formidable array of joint master's degrees in fields as varied as Sustainable International Development, Environmental Law, and Public Health.

Now for the first time the law school at Northeastern has expanded its degree offerings to include the LLM (Master of Laws), a free-standing graduate law degree bearing Northeastern's distinctive experiential stamp. With tracks in American Law and Health Policy and Law, this innovative new program gives those who already have a law degree an additional opportunity to enhance their professional credentials.

In its inaugural year, the Northeastern LLM program is hosting 12 students from nine countries on five continents, who are benefiting from a curriculum custom-made for lawyers from abroad seeking a US law degree. Introductory courses in American Law followed by a full menu of courses taken entirely with JD students ensure a flexible, integrated study plan designed to help students advance their careers as they see fit.

In fall 2013, the Northeastern LLM program will be expanding. Students with a first law degree (which could be from a US law school or from a law school outside the US) will again be invited to earn an LLM in a program characterized by flexibility and customization. In addition, an LLM specialization in Health Policy and Law will be open to seasoned practitioners in the health law field as well as to veteran lawyers aiming to transition into the field, who are looking to round out their professional qualifications and boost their marketability.

To find out more about this exciting program, visit www.northeastern.edu/law/llm. Candidates are also encouraged to attend the LLM forum sponsored by the Law School Admissions Council in New York on Saturday, October 13, or the information sessions held at Northeastern University School of Law on Monday, October 22, at 6 pm, and Saturday, October 27 at 12:30 pm.

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In the news

Sox tix freeze

For the second straight offseason, the Red Sox announced that they will not increase ticket prices at Fenway Park.

"Over the past few years, we have fallen short of our goals to play postseason baseball. Through it all, fans have shown their deep loyalty and support, for which we are all grateful," Red Sox CEO Larry Lucchino said in a release.

Patriots on the brain

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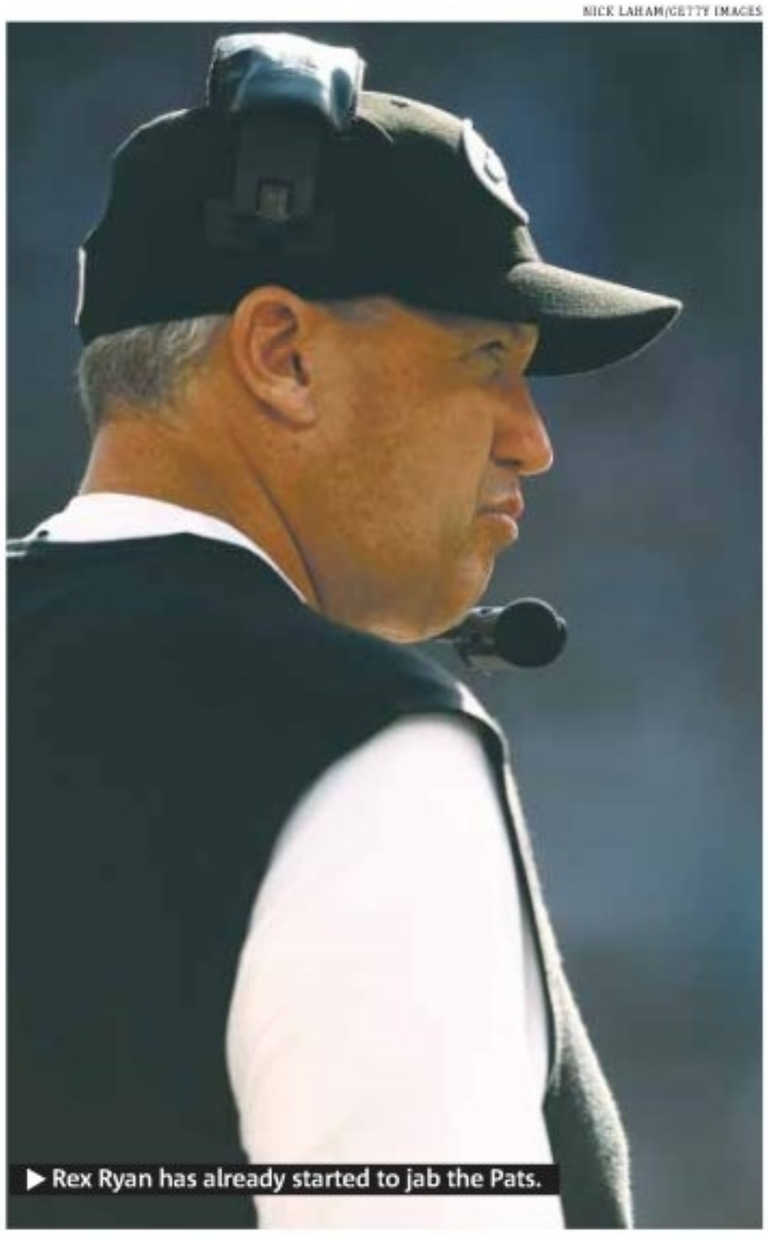

▶ Rex Ryan has already started to jab the Pats.

Rex Ryan never afraid to voice opinions ◗ Pats, Jets sitting at 3-3

His team may be 3-3, but head coach Rex Ryan expects his injury-riddled team to go toe-to-toe with the Patriots.

The Jets are without their biggest playmakers on offense and defense as cornerback Darrelle Revis and wide receiver Santonio Holmes are out for the season. But somehow, they're hanging around in the AFC East. All four teams in the division hold a 3-3 record, but the Jets are the only team with a 2-0 mark in the division.

"It's good news, bad news. Let's face it, we're tied for first in our division," Ryan said. "We're also tied for last, which is depressing. It's going to be a slugfest all the way and really it's a 10-game season now. Whoever comes out of it the best wins our division. We're going to keep slugging."

Ryan said the Patriots, who have won eight of the last 10 divisional titles, are the class of the division. The Jets, on the other hand, have only won the AFC East twice — most recently in 2002 — and the Patriots have won every year since Ryan became head coach in 2009.

"I never stopped not thinking about them. That's the team you got to beat to win our division. Obviously Buffalo and Miami are improved, not taking anything anyway from them," Ryan said. "The team that's won our division since I've been the head coach here has always been New England. That's the one you have to beat for sure. You think about them, you build your roster sometimes trying to compete, trying to beat this team. You're always thinking about them."

"We're coming there to take our swing. We'll see if we land that punch to win the game."
REX RYAN, ON THE PATRIOTS

The game against their I-95 opponent always brings out the best from the Jets, both on the field and in the trash talking leading up to the game. But the Jets know that they can give their mediocre start to the season a jolt with a big road win.

"For us to get to where we want to get to, or anyone in our conference, you have to beat New England," Ryan said.

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▶ Devin McCourty

Breaking down the breakdown

In the fourth quarter last Sunday, the Seahawks went 80 yards in just two minutes. Later they went 57 yards in just 1:20. It happened so fast that the Patriots secondary never even had a chance to turn around — literally.

What did each of those two scoring drives have? A pass play for more than 45 yards. On Seattle's first play from scrimmage during its first fourth-quarter TD drive, quarterback Russell Wilson found wide receiver Golden Tate down the middle for 51 yards.

On the other one, Wilson found another receiver, Sidney Rice, for 46 yards and a touchdown.

Those were just two of seven plays that the Pats allowed to go for 20 or more yards. **METRO/JT**

Say what?

The Patriots failed to execute in the red zone with six seconds left in the second quarter last Sunday.

Patriots OC Josh McDaniels said, "We've practiced that situation a lot. We understand the dynamic that's at play there and we made the decision to go ahead and run an extra play."

Bill Belichick spoke on the team's inability to close out games: "It's an area that I think we need to do a better job of all the way around."

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Boring ain't so bad

Big splash moves rarely work for Red Sox ◗ List of candidates thus far have been no-names, but that's a good thing ◗ Joe Torre need not apply

Opinion

Last year, the Red Sox went with the "sexy pick." Yup, in some circles, Bobby Valentine is Channing Tatum in a ball cap.

The Bobby V. hire created buzz. He was a familiar name. He had a background in TV. He was a compelling interview. He had energy.

As we all know now, none of that translated to wins on the diamond.

This time around, Boston should go with a true baseball guy, regardless of Q Score.

What is refreshing is that the Red Sox are currently interviewing relative no-names like Tim Wallach (third base coach for the Dodgers) and DeMarlo Hale (former Sox third base coach scheduled for Thursday).

Tony Pena has been the "sexiest" name interviewed so far, and that's a great thing. Not many Red Sox fans under the age of 25 even remember Pena as a former Boston catcher who had a unique, stretching/catching position behind the plate. Not many remember that he was once AL Manager of the Year (2003) with Kansas City because he was, well, working in Kansas City.

With that said: If the Red Sox main concern is creating discussion outside the baseball world this week, then they will give former Yankees manager Joe Torre an interview in the next 10 days. Nothing would add a spark to the near dormant Sox-Yanks rivalry like getting the revered Torre involved.

Come on down

A look at who the Red Sox have and will be talking to:

- **Tony Pena** reportedly interviewed for the Red Sox managerial job yesterday.
- **Brad Ausmus** will interview for the job Wednesday.
- **DeMarlo Hale** will talk with the club on Thursday.
- **Tim Wallach** spoke with management last Friday.

But the Sox truly have no choice but to be long-term realists at this stage of things. The only way back to the top is to win baseball games, plain and simple.

Interviewing and then (God forbid) hiring the most popular manager in your archrival's history makes for some great, short-term fodder. But Torre is 72 years old. He, like Bobby V., is a short-term solution to a long-term problem.

And is landing John Farrell, the second biggest name out there, even worth it at this point? Giving up a valuable prospect for a manager that has gone 154-170 in his career would put a smile on the faces of all the leftover Francona lovers in town (and there are plenty). But the Red Sox need a young, fresh, stern face. None of the guys interviewed so far would be deemed "sexy hires" if they were brought aboard. But since when does a baseball manager need to be glamorous?

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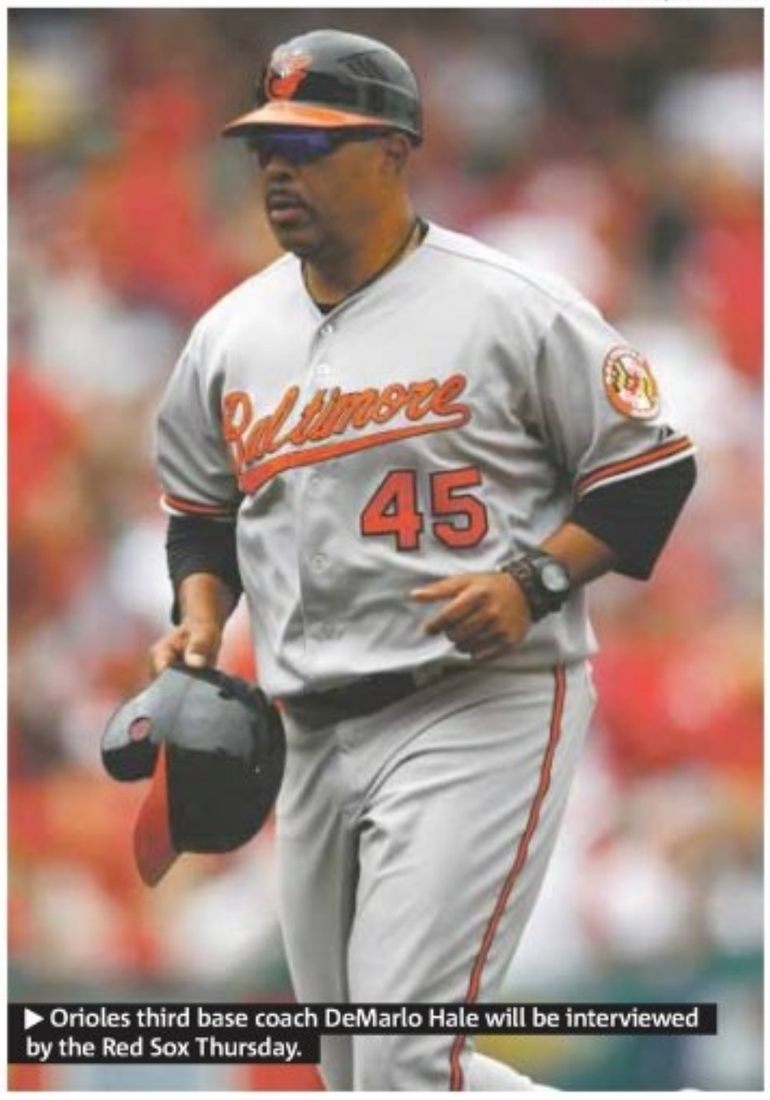

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